

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the very thorough consideration given the present application. Claims 1-16 are currently pending in this application. No new matter has been added by way of the present amendment. For instance, claim 8 has been amended to correct some issues identified by the Examiner. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

In view of the amendments and remarks herein, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw all outstanding rejections and allow the currently pending claims.

Issues Under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph

Claim 8 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C.112, 2nd paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicants respectfully traverse.

Claim 8 has been amended to correct the issues identified by the Examiner. Accordingly, this rejection is moot.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-7 and 9-16 are allowed.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. In view of the amendments and remarks herein, Applicants submit that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

A Notice of Allowability is thus respectfully requested.

Conclusion


All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and objections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Vanessa Perez-Ramos, Reg. No. 61,158, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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